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Re: Applicant: Anthony Scott Oddo et al.
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Sir:

Please issue a corrected filing receipt to reflect that the application was filed with 14 (rather than 12) total claims. Copies of the pertinent pages of Applicants' Preliminary Amendment filed on 9/29/2005 (printed from the Patent Office website) are enclosed. Applicants respectfully note that page 4 of 4 of the Preliminary Amendment inadvertently included Applicants' Remarks as well as new claims 33 and 34. For the convenience of the Office a replacement page 4 including only claims 33 and 34 is also enclosed.

Although Applicants do not believe that any additional fee is due, in the event Applicants are incorrect, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due to counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/SEDN/PRED115.

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In the claims:

Please reconsider the claims as follows:

1-20. (canceled)

21. (new) A method of displaying content recommendations to a user, the method comprising:

providing, in response to the detection of a channel change event, a content recommendation; and

allowing a user to selectively view the recommended content or content associated with a newly selected channel.

22. (new) The method of claim 21, wherein the content recommendation is provided using one or more of a rating engine, recommendation engine and profile engine.

23. (new) The method of claim 21, wherein the content recommendation comprises:

generating at least one recommendation of local or remote content.

24. (new) A method of providing a user perceptible indicator of available content, the method comprising:

monitoring content viewed by a plurality of users;

based on the content viewed by the plurality of users, generating the user perceptible indicator of content, wherein the generating occurs at a change in system state; and

allowing the user to interact with the user perceptible indicator.

25. (new) The method of claim 24, wherein the monitoring comprises:

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detecting content viewed by a subset of the plurality of users.

26. (new) The method of claim 25, wherein the change in system state comprises activation of a client device.

27. (new) The method of claim 25, wherein the change in system state comprises activation of a television viewing system or set top box associated with the user.

28. (new) The method of claim 25, wherein the change in system state comprises a channel change event.

29. (new) The method of claim 25, wherein the interacting further comprises: responding to signals generated by a user-operated remote control device.

30. (new) A system for displaying content recommendations to a viewer, the system comprising:
means for detecting when a viewer changes channels;
means for providing a content recommendation responsive to a detection of a channel change event; and
means for allowing the viewer to select the recommended content.

31. (new) A system for providing a user perceptible indicator of available content, the system comprising:
means for receiving at least one recommendation of available content;
means for generating a perceptible indicator of the recommended content in response to a change in system state; and
means for allowing the user to interact with the user perceptible indicator.

32. (new) The system of claim 31, wherein the change in system state comprises activation of a client device.

33. (new) The system of claim 31, wherein the change in system state comprises activation of a television viewing system or set top box associated with the user.

34. (new) The system of claim 31, wherein the change in system state comprises a channel change event.

REMARKS

The Applicants request that the Office enter this preliminary amendment prior to examining the application. The claim amendments do not constitute new matter. Early and favorable action in connection with this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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33. (new) The system of claim 31, wherein the change in system state comprises activation of a television viewing system or set top box associated with the user.

34. (new) The system of claim 31, wherein the change in system state comprises a channel change event.